



Examining Group 3634
Docket No.: 1791.003
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DRAFT CLAIM 1 FOR SUBMISSION TO EXAMINER CHIN-SHUE 07/14/04

1. **(Currently Amended)** A safety device for a bosun's chair comprising:
a mast-attaching member configured to movably attached attach the bosun's chair-to-a mast of a boat;
a brake for braking the mast-attaching member relative to the mast of the boat,
said brake being pivotally connected to said mast-attaching member; and
an activation member being pivotally connected to said mast-attaching member
and connected to said brake, said activation member connected to a cord connectable to
a bosun's chair;
means for at least one of raising and lowering the bosun's chair relative to the
mast of the boat, said means for at least one of raising and lowering the bosun's chair
being connected to an elevated portion of the boat and comprising a second cord
connectable to the bosun's chair to support the bosun's chair to allow the bosun's chair
to be at least one of raised and lowered; and
wherein said activation member brake is configured pivotable to cause said
brake to contact said mast to slow a descent of the bosun's chair, in response to a said
cord being connected to the bosun's chair and a force being placed on said activation
member by the bosun's chair in response to a failure of said second cord to support a
weight of, said means for at least one of raising and lowering the bosun's chair, said
brake being separate from, and operating independently of, said means for at least one
of raising and lowering the bosun's chair.